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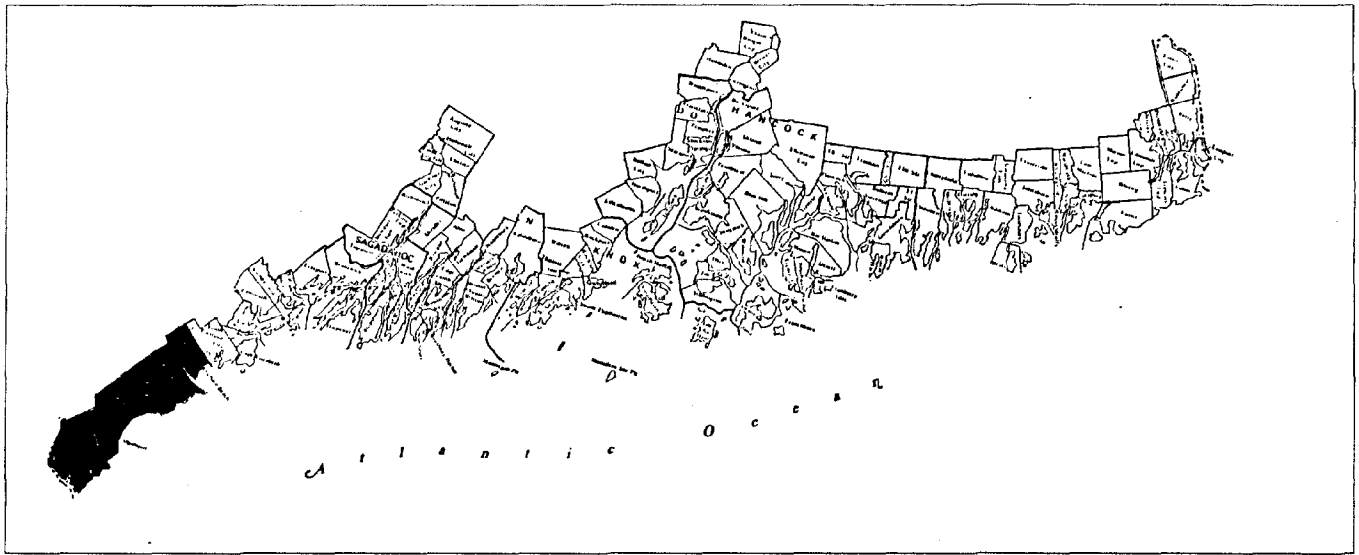
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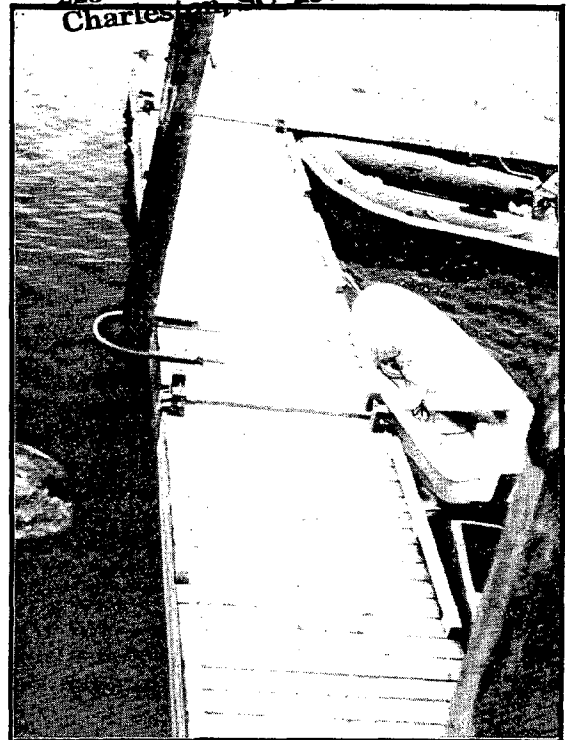


SOUTH BERWICK (under construction)



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SOUTH BERWICK

Salmon Falls Boat Launch and Park

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$7,340

Funding Year: 1988-89

Local Match: \$3,865 in Municipal Funds, \$11,025 of Town Labor

Construction In Progress: To be completed July 31, 1989

The Town will improve a Town-owned shorefront site on Route 101 adjacent to the bridge to New Hampshire. A part-tide gravel boat ramp suitable for canoes and small boats will be built. Some of the wooded area will be cleared to provide for 2-3 picnic tables. The existing parking lot will be regraded and graveled. The banks of the river around the park are undeveloped and very scenic. The site is an excellent place for birdwatching and fishing.

YORK

The Rehabilitation and Expansion of the Town Wharf

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$46,000

Local Match: \$51,000

Funding Year: 1987-88

Construction Completed: July 31, 1988

The Town Wharf in York Harbor is being strengthened to permit vehicle access for on and off loading of gear and fish products. Also, a bait platform is being constructed to allow fishermen to load bait directly onto their boats from the wharf. New floats are being constructed to increase the dinghy tie-up space. This project will improve public access to the water for both recreational boaters and commercial fishermen.

WELLS

Estuarine Reserve Interpretative Overlooks

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$ 8,000 (Year 1)

\$16,000 (Year 2)

Local Match: \$2,000 (Year 1)

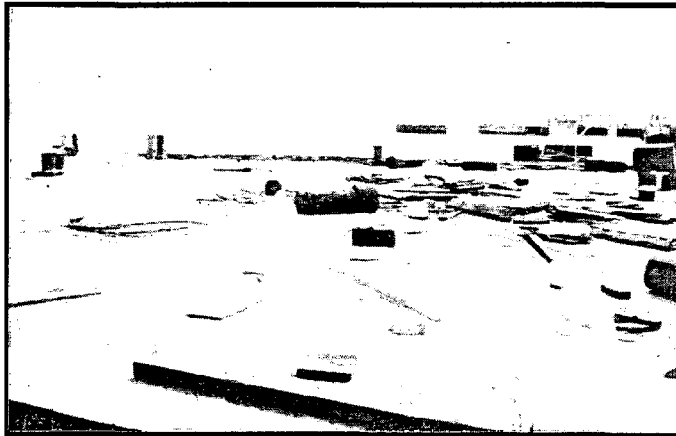
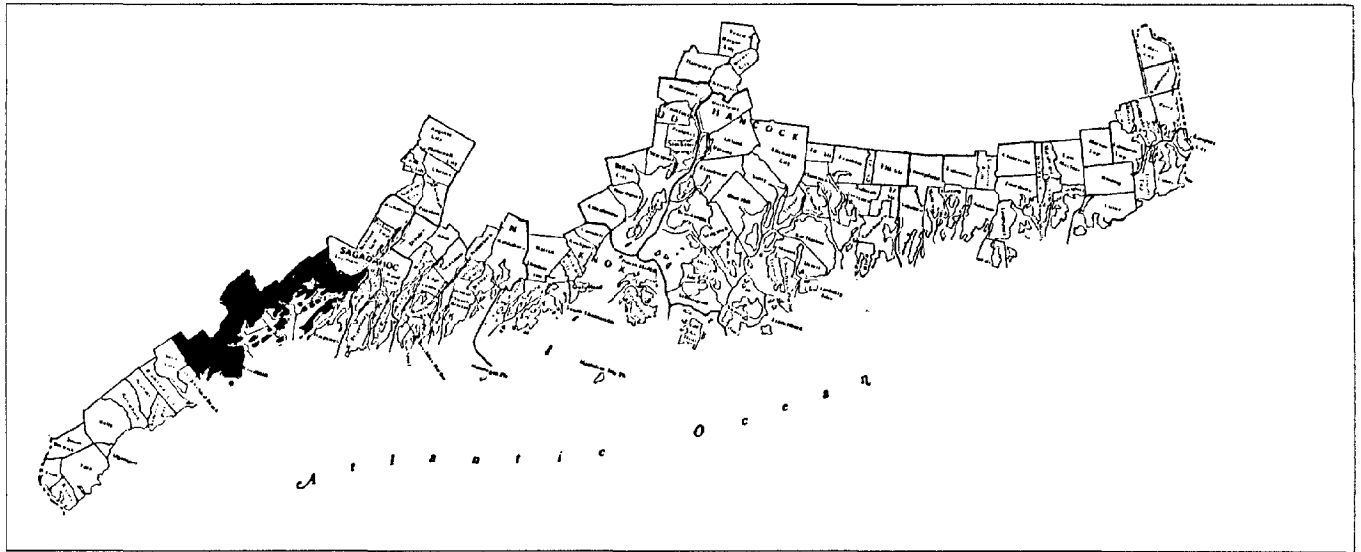
\$4,000 (Year 2)

Funding Years: 1985-86 and 1986-87

Construction Completed: December, 1987

Three interpretive overlooks were built during two funding years on at the Wells National Estuarine Reserve. The reserve is on the grounds of Laudholm Farm which is within the boundaries of the Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve in the Town of Wells. The Reserve's Final Management Plan, funded by the Coastal Program, called for the construction of three elevated platform overlooks at key locations along the proposed trail system. These overlooks are intended to enhance the public's understanding of the marshland ecosystem by providing interpretive signs and focal points for educational tours. The platforms are universally-accessible elevated wooden platforms.

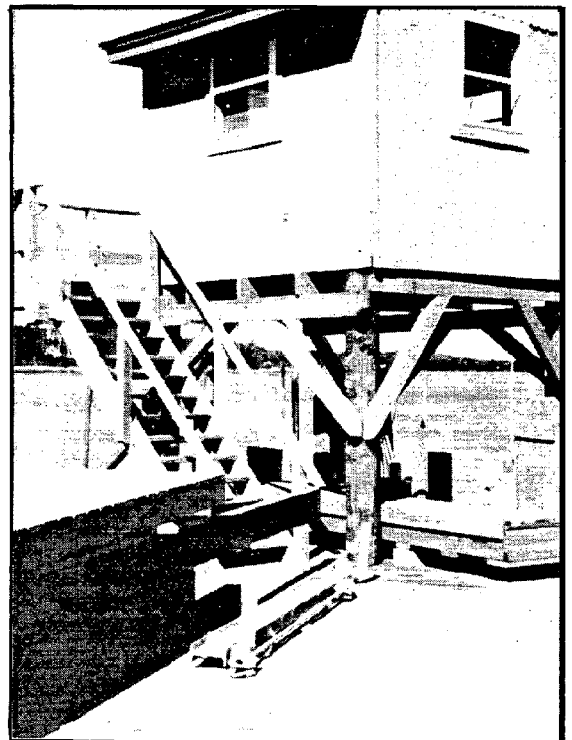
GREATER PORTLAND



PORTLAND-Maine State Pier (under construction)



YARMOUTH



FREEPORT

SCARBOROUGH

Town Landing Acquisition (\$50,000 grant)

Town Landing Parking Lot Expansion & Park Project Waterfront

Action Grant Funds: \$50,000 (Year 1)

\$50,000 (Year 2)

Local Match: \$100,000 (Year 1)

\$ 50,000 (Year 2)

Funding Year: 1987-88 and 1988-89

Acquisition completed: December 1988

Construction In Progress: To be completed by July 31, 1989

A vacant parcel of land adjacent to the Town Landing at Pine Point in Scarborough was acquired with Waterfront Action Grant funds providing one-third of the acquisition cost. This parcel and an additional parcel which was acquired with Town funds were designated in the Town's Comprehensive Harbor Plan as being critical elements in the long term preservation of the harbor. Also, the plan recommended improvements to the newly acquired land to make a shorefront park and provide for parking for commercial fishermen and recreational users. Recently, the Town has received a Waterfront Action Grant to construct restrooms, park benches and two parking lots, one for commercial fishermen and the other for recreational users. In addition, an easement was obtained by the Town for use of a protected beach on the harbor side of the peninsula and adjacent to the land acquired with Waterfront Action Grant funds. This harbor side beach provides a safer area for swimming than the beach on the ocean side of the peninsula.

SOUTH PORTLAND

Greenbelt Walkway Construction

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$50,000

Funding Year: 1988-89

Construction In Progress: To be finished by July 31, 1989

A waterfront pathway which will be the third portion of the Greenbelt Master Plan will be constructed. The project will link two distinct neighborhoods of the city: Pleasantdale and Knightville/Mill Creek. Previously constructed segments of the Greenbelt Walkway, a small wooded city-owned lot and Mill Creek Park will be linked with the proposed pathway. The walkway will provide public access for pedestrians and bicyclists along a portion of South Portland's shorefront and will be accessible to people with physical handicaps.

PORTLAND

East End Beach and Boat Launch Area Improvements

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$98,000

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: July, 1988

The parking lot adjacent to the boat ramp at East End Beach in the Eastern Promenade Park was expanded and improved. A userbased management study of the park recommended renovating and upgrading the adjacent Boat Launch area. This boat ramp is the only public boat launching facility in Portland and is heavily used by residents and visitors. The City of Portland also plans to build an additional boat ramp at this site with funding from the state Boating Facilities Fund.

PORTLAND

Maine State Pier Promenade Walkway

Coastal Zone Management Grant Funds: \$125,000

Local Match: \$275,000

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$23,010

Local Match: \$62,708

Funding Year: 1988-89

Construction In Progress: CEIP To be completed by September 30, 1989

WAG To be completed by July 31, 1989

The Maine State Pier, a city owned pier, represents the most significant public access resource in Portland's central waterfront area. The concept for the promenade walkway is based on the "Portland Waterfront: Public Access Design Project" which serves as the City's master plan for developing pedestrian access along the waterfront and is consistent with the "Portland Shoreway Access Plan". Both of these plans were funded by Maine's Coastal Program. Substantial progress has been made in constructing nearby pedestrian access improvements, funded by public and private sources. The Maine State Pier promenade walkway will provide focus to these walkways and be a true "Gateway to the Waterfront."

The site provides expansive views of both the inner and outer harbors, and of activities and structures of the historic finger piers along the waterfront. The new promenade walkway will be close to the City's historic Old Port district, the new 400-car parking garage and the new Casco Bay Island Ferry Terminal. Also, the adjacent ferry terminal and parking garage, which is open year-round, will provide convenient public services such as restrooms, drinking fountains, telephones and parking.

Structural improvements and a concrete deck overlay for the pier will be completed using a \$125,000 grant from the Maine Coastal Program. The 1988-89 Waterfront Action Grant funds will provide pedestrian amenities for public access including a wood deck promenade at the perimeter water's edge, bollards and chains, benches and lighting.

PORTLAND

Rebuild Old Army Pier on Peaks Island
Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$14,000

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

An old dilapidated Army pier on Peaks Island in Casco Bay which was owned by the City of Portland was removed and replaced with a new smaller pier. The new pier filled a pressing need for a general purpose pier on the island. The users will include recreational boaters and commercial fishermen.

YARMOUTH

Riverside Park Development

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$6,000

Local Match: \$1,500

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

A small riverside park was created on 25,000 square feet of waterfront land which had been purchased by the Town of Yarmouth. The Park is located on the Royal River where it is crossed by State Route 88. A small section of deteriorated rock cribwork (part of the foundation of an old grist mill) was restored, the area behind the cribwork was filled and graded to create a small picnic area. Also constructed was a gravel drive and parking for 7-8 cars.

FREEPORT

Town Wharf Reconstruction

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$49,750

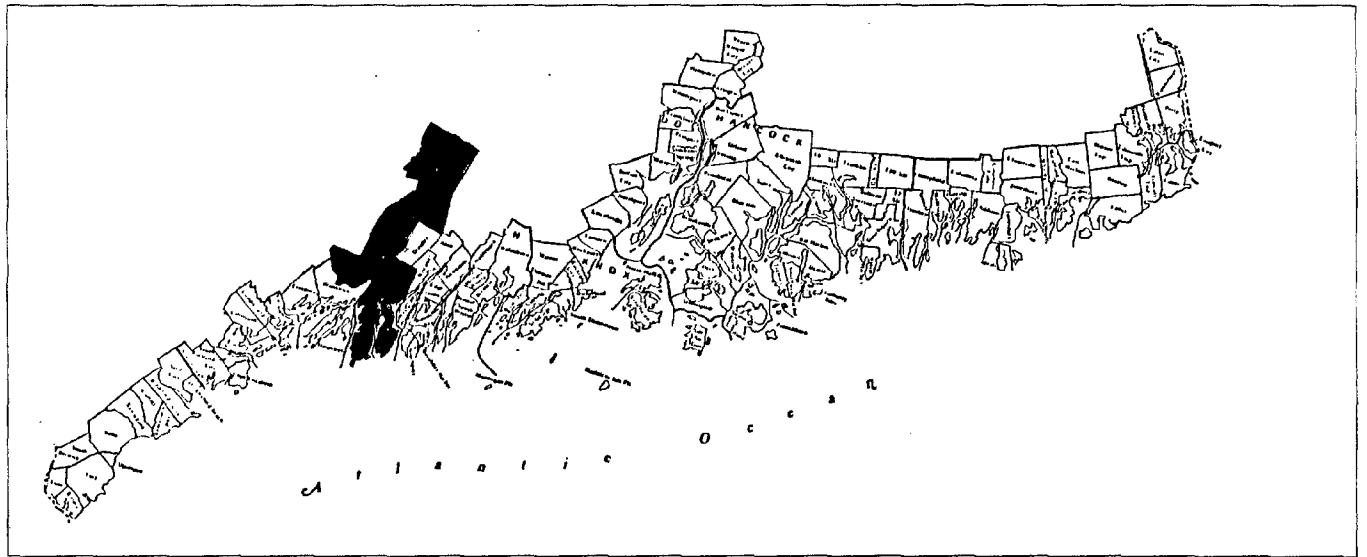
Local Match: \$9,950

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: December, 1987

The Town Wharf located at the end of Main Street on the Harraseeket River in South Freeport was rehabilitated. This wharf is the only facility in Freeport which is accessible at all tides. The wharf is used heavily by fishermen, recreational boaters and tourists and also provides docking space for the Bustin's Island ferry which serves the residents of Bustin's Island, a part of Freeport. The project included: replacing the decaying pilings and rebuilding the wharf deck to permit vehicular traffic, replacing the ramp with a longer and wider ramp to provide safer access to the floats, replacing the decaying finger floats and connecting ramp and extending the float system, adding a new float and catwalk to the Bustin's Island ferry and moving the berthing location to improve navigation and installing an improved winch and boom system which is capable of launching sailboats.

SOUTHERN KENNEBEC



AUGUSTA

Waterfront Park Improvement

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$13,440

Local Match: \$3,360

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

An expansion of the Waterfront Park along the Kennebec River was undertaken. This project is part of a plan to rehabilitate the deteriorating Kennebec River waterfront in Augusta. The park was expanded by riprapping 100 feet of shoreline and placing granite steps for access to the water. The upland area was improved with plantings and by adding benches.

AUGUSTA

Riverfront Greenway Footpath

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$24,931

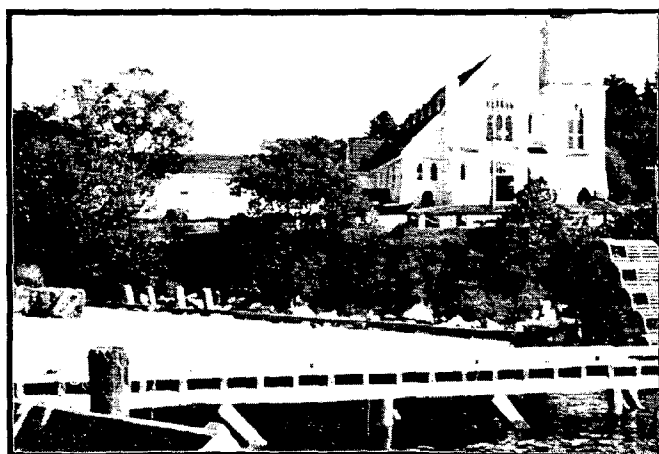
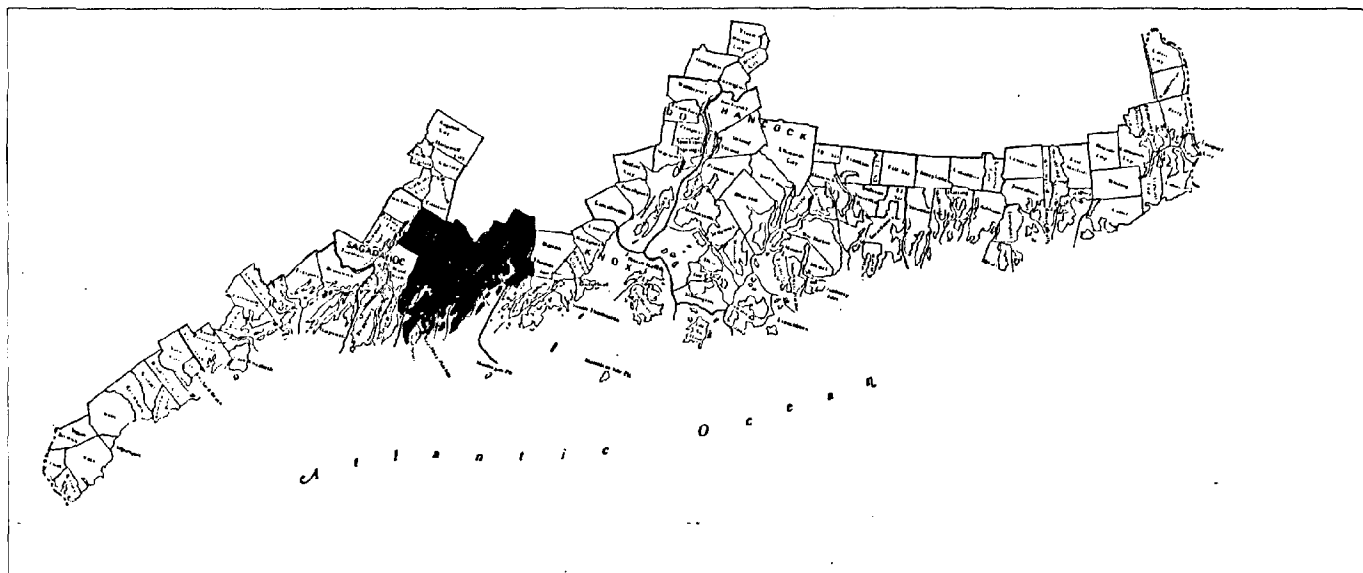
Local Match: \$24,931

Funding Year: 1987-88

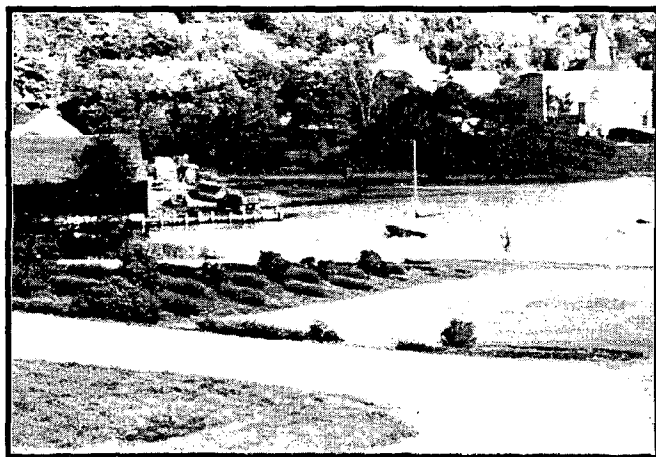
Construction Completed: August, 1988

A stonedust pathway and a footbridge along the eastern shore of the Kennebec River in Augusta were constructed to connect Fort Western, the City Center and the Augusta boat basin. The bank along the path was landscaped and cobbled to prevent erosion. Also, lights, park benches and covered and uncovered picnic tables will be placed on the site. At a later date, interpretive displays will be developed for the area.

LINCOLN COUNTY



BOOTHBAY HARBOR-Fish Pier



WALDOBORO



BRISTOL-Round Pond

BOOTHBAY HARBOR

Revitalization of Boothbay Harbor Fish Pier

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$10,000

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

Town of Boothbay Harbor used funds from a Community Development Block Grant to purchase land, wharf and buildings on the east side of the harbor on Atlantic Avenue. This facility was the only remaining property on the harbor which was available and suitable for public ownership and improvement as a support facility for the region's commercial fisheries. Coastal Planning funds were used to assess the economic feasibility of the restored facility and to analyze the physical condition of the pier. Waterfront Action Grant funds are being used to remove a deteriorated section of the pier and to rebuild this section to make the facility serviceable. The rebuilt deck service will allow the installation of the required support facilities for the off-loading of fish and the servicing of vessels.

BRISTOL

Round Pond Parking Improvements

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$7,748

Local Match: \$1,937

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: July, 1988

The parking area adjacent to the boat launch ramp and the dock at Round Pond Harbor in Bristol is going to be paved. The parking area had lacked clear boundaries which resulted in haphazard parking and inefficient use of the facility. The boat launch and dock are heavily used by residents and visitors and greater use is anticipated in the future. Prior to applying for Waterfront Action Grant funds, the town rebuilt the dock and repaved the boat ramp. Future plans include a similar facility in New Harbor, another harbor in the town.

WALDOBORO

Wharf Rehabilitation

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

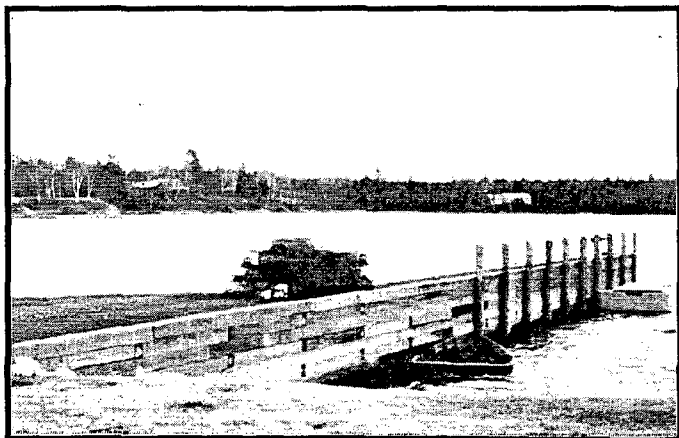
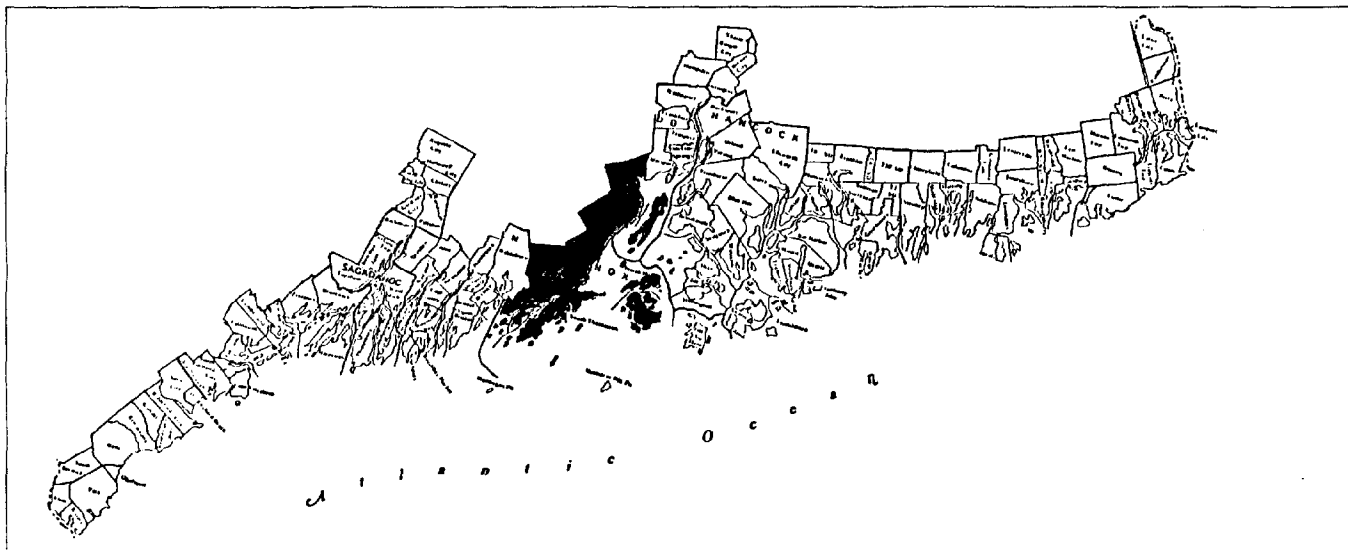
Local Match: \$16,700

Funding Year: 1985-86

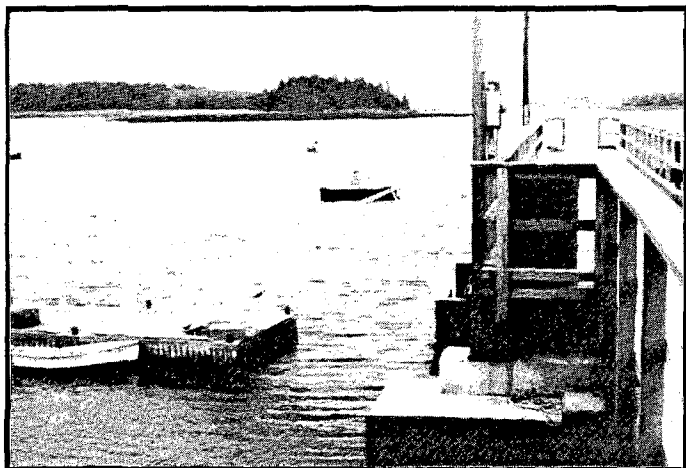
Construction Completed: December, 1987

The Public Landing Pier which is located on the Medomak River approximately one-quarter mile south of Route 1 in Waldoboro was repaired. The Town previously had installed a boat launch and parking lot at the site. A Coastal Program Planning Grant provided funds for the preliminary engineering design for the repair of the cribwork pier. The project included setting new pilings, installing a new filter fabric and plank face and adding stones upstream of the pier to halt further erosion. The area was finished with a guardrail and fill to create a stabilized area for access and picnic tables. The facility is heavily used and provides the only in-town access to the Medomak River.

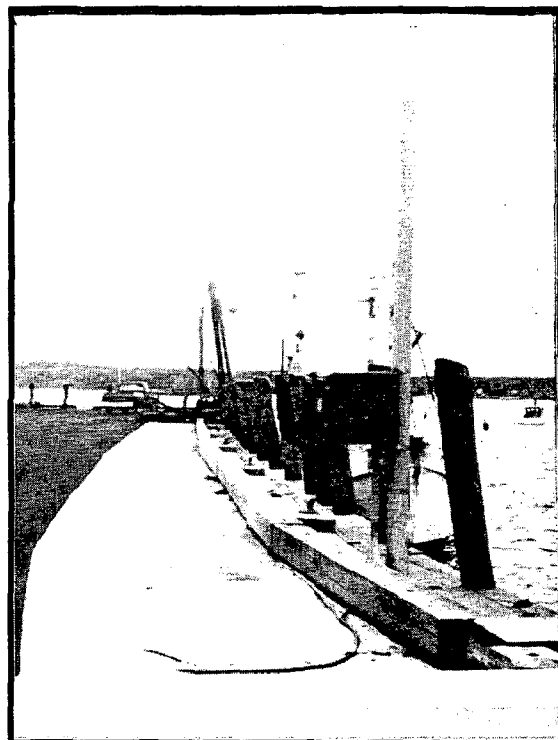
EASTERN MID-COAST



SOUTH THOMASTON



ISLEBORO-Gilkey's Harbor Facilities



ROCKLAND- Fish Pier

SOUTH THOMASTON

Town Wharf Rehabilitation

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$40,000

Local Match: \$10,000

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

The Town Wharf and adjacent public boat launching facility were rehabilitated. The facility is located where State Route 73 crosses the Wessaweskeag River in South Thomaston. The cribwork and pavement of the facility had deteriorated to the point of being hazardous. Engineering drawings and cost estimates for the rehabilitation were prepared using funds from a Coastal Planning Grant. The work involved removing the existing cribwork, replacing it with treated timber, adding new fill and replacing the disturbed pavement to match the existing grade of the boat launching ramp. The wharf and launching facility now are better suited to permit increased and safer use by recreational boaters and commercial fishermen.

ROCKLAND

Improvements to the Municipal Fish Pier

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$40,000

Local Match: \$10,000

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

The project was undertaken to expand the utility of the Fish Pier which is located at the site of the former McLoon Wharf in the Crocketts Point area off Commercial Street in Rockland. The former McLoon's Wharf had been reconstructed using funds provided by a state-wide bond issue for rehabilitation of seven piers along the coast. This project implemented recommendations from the "Management Operational Plan for the Rockland Fish Pier" which was assisted with Coastal Program funding. Funds provided by the Waterfront Action Grant Program were used to install timber railing and fenderpiles along the new concrete cap which covered an existing sea wall. Also, eight 30 by 10 foot floats were constructed using labor provided by the local Regional Vocational School. The railing and fender system provides a temporary berthing space for boats waiting to use the take out stations or to unload gear. The new floats provide space for commercial fishermen so that space at the pier at the Public Landing is available for use by recreational boaters.

ROCKPORT

Goose River Park Parking Area

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$23,830

Local Match: \$5,925

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: December, 1987

A park was developed on a four acre undeveloped parcel on the south side of the Goose River abutting the Marine Park at the head of Rockport Harbor. In the late nineteenth century, the site served as a dumping area for lime tailings, a waste by-product from the nearby lime kilns. Initially the site was levelled, graded and extensively landscaped. Then, a parking area for 34 vehicles, a picnic area, a crushed stone walkway along the Goose River, two 100 sq. ft. observation decks and a wooden access stairway to the Marine Park were constructed. The new park helps to relieve the congestion in the Marine Park which could no longer accommodate all of the fishermen, recreational boaters and tourists using the harbor facilities.

ROCKPORT

Improvements to Rockport Marine Park

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$10,667

Local Match: \$5,333

Funding Year: 1987-88

Construction Completed: July, 1988

Four floats and two heavy duty ramps were constructed and placed in Rockport Harbor. The floats created 24 new tie-off spots for dinghies. The additional float space is now available to fishermen and other users for on and off loading their boats. These floats are located on both sides of the harbor and will increase public access to Rockport Harbor.

VINALHAVEN

The Vinalhaven State Beach Acquisition

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$65,500

Funding Year: 1987-88

Construction Completed: July, 1988

The Town of Vinalhaven acquired a 24 acre parcel of land known locally as Geary's Beach. This beautiful area joins the Arey Neck Woods and includes one-half mile of shorefront. The trails meander across the beach and around the point of land with views of Isle Au Haut, Brimstone and Matinicus Islands. The trails and stone wall were built by the Hurricane Island Outward Bound School students. The students, along with the Vinalhaven Park Commission members spent many hours clearing buried tree stumps from the beach. Also, a picnic table has been installed at the beach.

ISLESBORO

Town Beach Picnic Area Improvements
Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$25,000
Local Match: \$5,000
Funding Year: 1985-86
Construction Completed: December, 1987

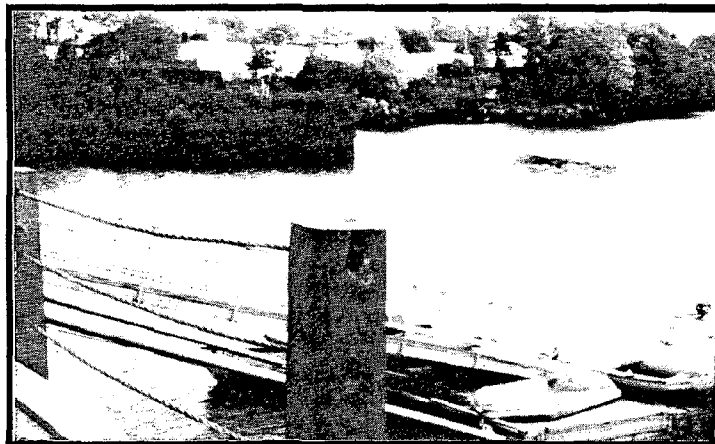
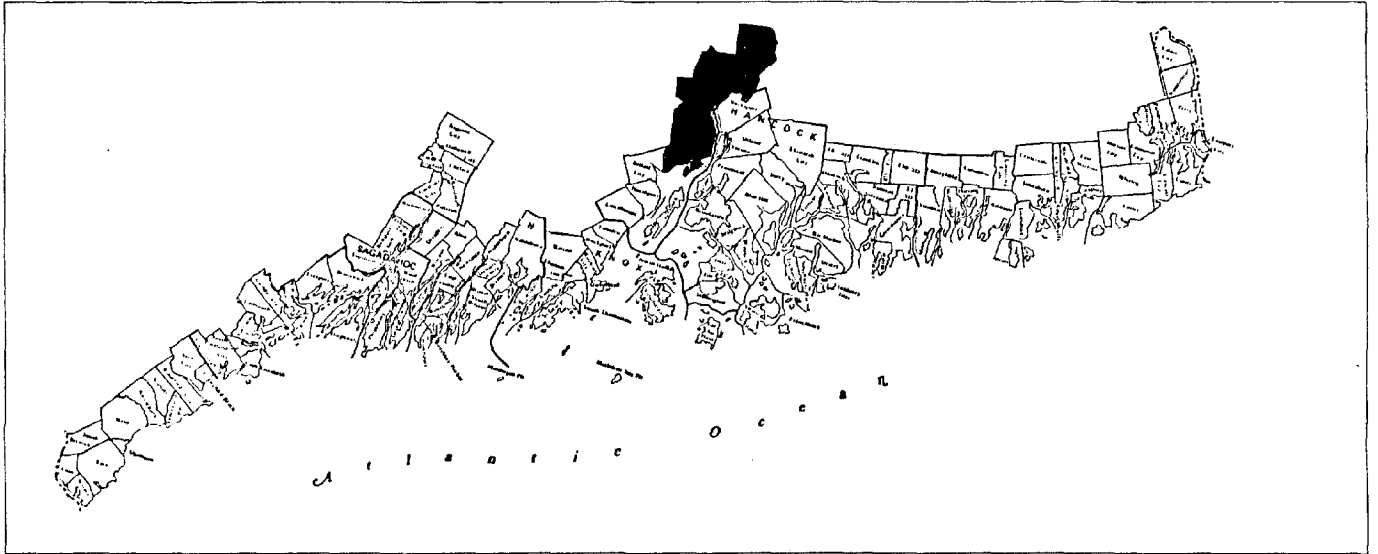
Improvements were made to the Town Beach Picnic Area which is a seven acre parcel of land located on the southern tip of the island of Islesboro. The parking lot was expanded and paved; the access road was improved; picnic tables, barbecue grills and sanitary facilities were installed. This beach is the only beach on the island which is publicly accessible. The use of the beach had increased in recent years because other traditional access ways to the shore had been cut off by private developers. The Town's Recreation Committee had identified improvements to the Town Beach Picnic area as one of its highest priorities.

ISLESBORO

Harbor Facilities Improvement
Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000
Local Match: \$15,505
Funding Year: 1986-87
Construction Completed: July, 1988

Improvements were made to the town pier and boat ramp located at Grindle Point in Gilkey's Harbor on the southwestern side of the island of Islesboro. Gilkey's Harbor is the primary access point to the island. Two sections of the town pier were rehabilitated, the existing boat ramp was paved, a power cable which had crossed over the ramp was buried and a second steel pontoon float was constructed for year-round public use. This project, which was proposed in the harbor facilities improvements plan funded by a Coastal Program Planning Grant, improved year-round public access to the island and eliminated potential safety hazards.

PENOBSCOT VALLEY



BANGOR

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Penobscot River Parkway Development

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$30,000

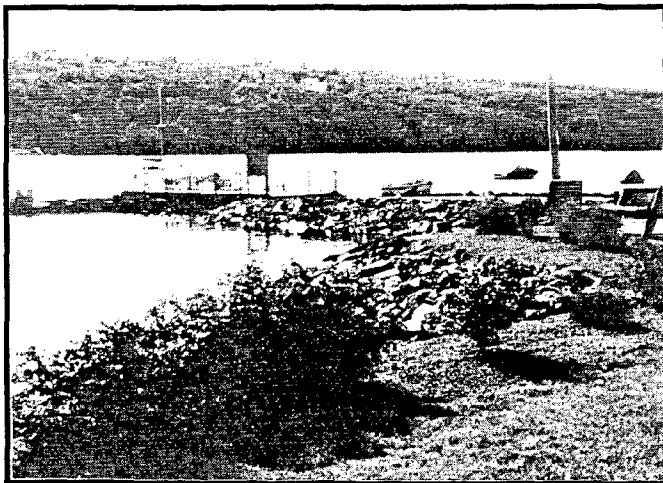
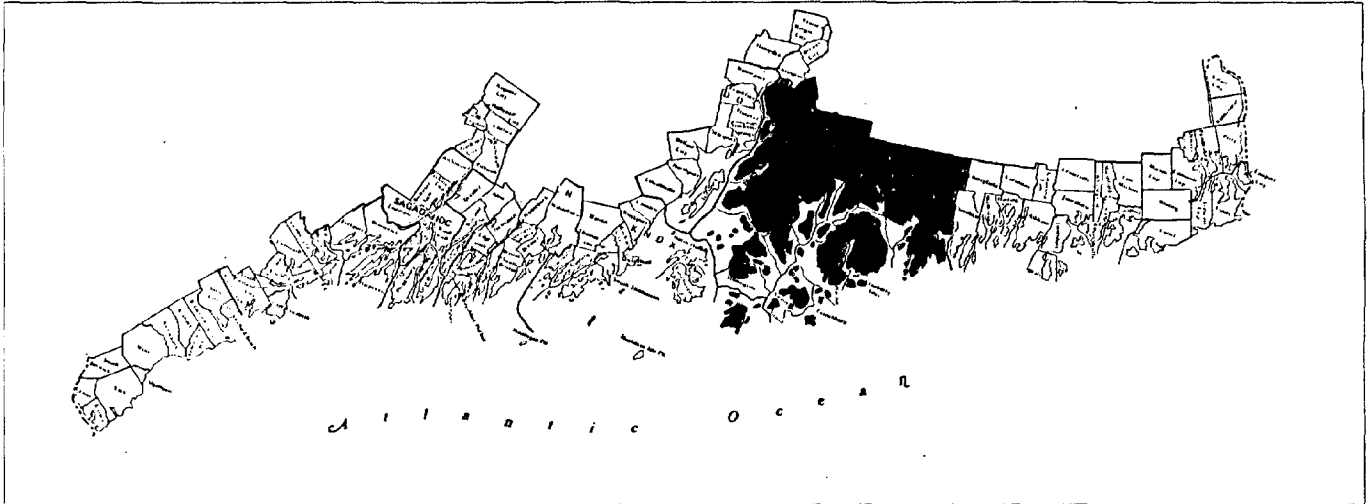
Local Match: \$40,180

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: July, 1988

The final 600 foot link in a 10,000 foot shoreline parkway was completed. The project site is located on the waterfront of the Penobscot River and Kenduskeag Stream at its junction with the Penobscot River in downtown Bangor. The site was landscaped and pathways were constructed through the park. A split rail fence and covered and uncovered picnic tables were installed. A dock and municipal parking are adjacent to the picnic area. The entire waterfront parkway development includes a network of walkways, benches, picnic areas, boat docking facilities for recreational boaters, guest moorings and rest room and shower facilities. The park extends into a mall of shops in downtown Bangor. Future plans include development of newly acquired waterfront property, encouraging shops, restaurants and offices to locate in buildings near the waterfront park and possible relocation of the train switching yard.

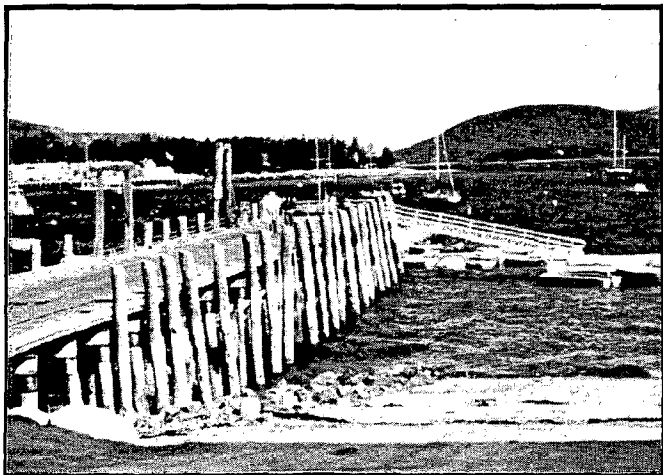
HANCOCK COUNTY



BUCKSPORT



BROOKLIN



SOUTHWEST HARBOR (under construction)



BAR HARBOR

BUCKSPORT

Town Dock Rehabilitation and Waterfront Land Redevelopment

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$31,300

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: December, 1987

At the time of application for Waterfront Action Grant funds, the Town of Bucksport was actively revitalizing its downtown with a focus on its riverfront location. An interceptor sewer line was being installed along the waterfront and approximately 50% of the eroding shoreline was being riprapped, loamed and seeded. The Waterfront Action Grant project funds were used to complete the stabilization and improve public access to the waterfront by rehabilitating the Town Dock, improving the access road to the dock and completing a walkway path from the sewer project to the dock. These improvements were recommended in a Waterfront Revitalization plan which was funded in part by a Coastal Planning Grant. Future plans include extending the waterfront park along much of Bucksport's shorefront. The walkway will return to the main street at the historic Jed Prouty's tavern/hotel, currently being renovated.

BLUE HILL

Town Wharf Improvements (Year 1)

Land Acquisition for South Blue Hill Dock Parking Expansion Waterfr

Action Grant Funds: \$ 8,286 (Year 1)

\$32,000 (Year 2)

Local Match: \$2,096 (Year 1)

\$8,000 (Year 2)

Funding Years: 1985-86 and 1986-87

Construction Completed: July, 1987 (Year 1); December, 1987 (Year 2)

As the result of a plan which was completed with Coastal Program assistance, it was recommended that improvements be made to the town wharf in the main village of Blue Hill. and that land be acquired for parking on the land adjacent to the South Blue Hill Town Dock off of Route 175 in Blue Hill. The first year's project was to improve access and parking at the town wharf and launching ramp in the main village. This included grading, paving and delineating travel ways and parking areas to stabilize erosion at the site and ease conjection.

The project during the second year was the acquisition of a one-half acre parcel of private land adjacent to the South Blue Hill Town Dock and launching ramp. The parking for the facility had been on private land. When this land was put on the market, the town took the opportunity to use funds from the Waterfront Action Grant program to acquire the land and prevent it from being sold for residential purposes. The South Blue Hill Town Dock facility provides the only all-tide, year-round access to Blue Hill Bay and is used extensively by recreational and commercial boats.

CASTINE

Acadia Wharf Reconstruction

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$184,000

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: July, 1988

Acadia Wharf at the foot of Main Street in Castine was reconstructed. The old pier, one third of which had deteriorated to the point of condemnation, has been a focal point for recreational boaters, fishermen and tourists. The old pier and bulkhead were removed and a new pier and bulkhead were constructed. Floats for the new pier were constructed by volunteer labor from the Town. The Town purchased a ramp to lead to the new floats. Also, the town made repairs on the existing pier. The new pier provides short-term docking for recreation boaters and the other pier provides long-term and overnight docking space. Picnic tables are being built by a resident and will be donated to the town to be placed on the new pier.

BROOKLIN

Improvements at Naskeag Point Town Park

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$16,000

Local Match: \$4,000

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

Improvements were made to Naskeag Point Town Park which is located off Naskeag Point Road in the town of Brooklin. The park is used extensively by residents and visitors to the area. Improvements included grading and paving of an enclosed parking area, installing picnic tables and benches and landscaping and protective fencing for the park. Improvements to the park were consistent with the Town's comprehensive plan which had been recently upgraded and revised with Coastal Program Funds.

BLUE HILL

Town Wharf Improvements

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$32,000

Local Match: \$8,000

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: December, 1987

As the result of a plan which was completed with Coastal Program assistance, it was recommended that improvements be made to the town wharf in the main village of Blue Hill and that land be acquired for parking on the land adjacent to the South Blue Hill Town Dock off of Route 175 in Blue Hill.

SOUTHWEST HARBOR

Manset Boat Launch Ramp and Manset Dock Boat Pollution Abatement Facility

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$19,200 (Year 1)
\$12,812 (Year 2)

Local Match: \$12,000 (Year 1)
\$ 9,812 (Year 2)

Funding Years: 1985-86 and 1987-88

Construction Completed: Launch ramp completed December, 1987;
Pollution Abatement Facility installed
December 1988

A boat launching facility was constructed in the village of Manset in the town of Southwest Harbor. It is accessible from State Route 102 (Shore Road) approximately one and one-half miles south of the main village. The launching facility provides access to the harbor for both recreational boaters and commercial fishermen. The second grant will be used to install a Kenton Pump-A-head system on the Manset Dock and connect the head pumping system to the sewer line approximately 300 feet from the dock. The head pumping facility will be one of the few public pumping facilities available along the Maine coast.

CRANBERRY ISLES

Great Cranberry Town Dock Extension

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$50,000

Local Match: \$76,250

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: December, 1987

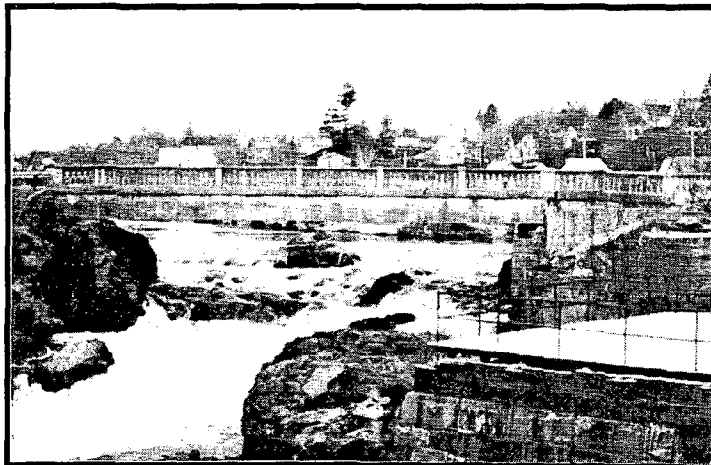
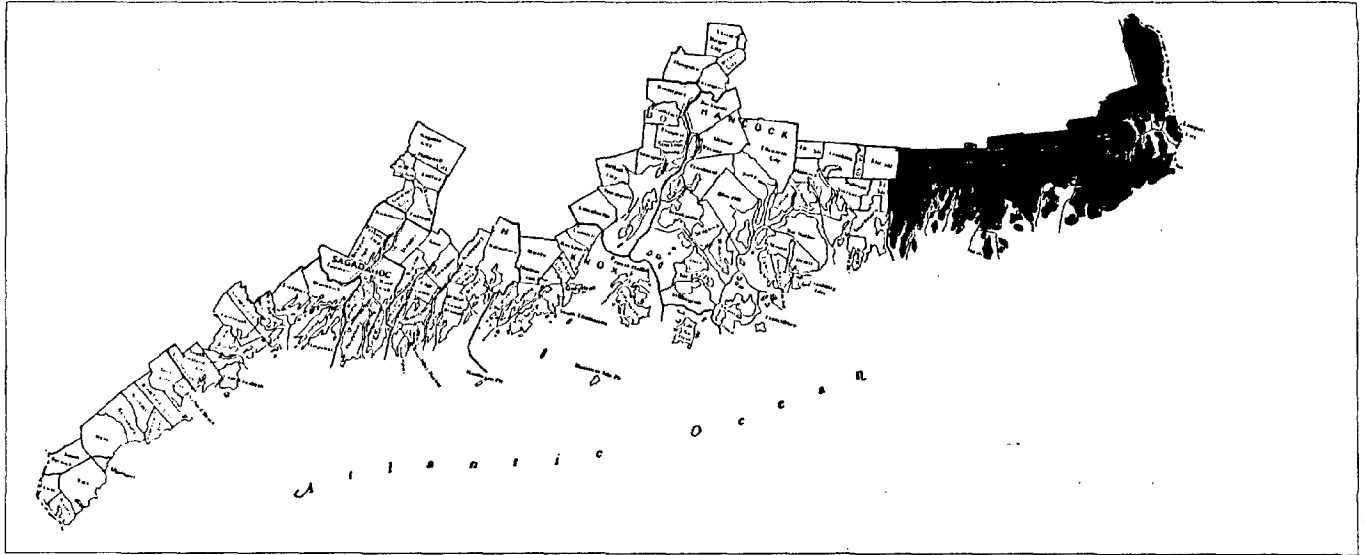
An extension was added to the Town Dock at Great Cranberry Island which is located three miles off Mount Desert Island. The Town Dock serves as the only public access for the passenger ferry which transports people and necessary supplies to and from the island. The extension provides deep water access at dock-side, increases the available tie-up space, provides space for additional lifts for loading and unloading and adds a float and access ramp. The extension is five feet wider than the existing dock; therefore, providing safer conditions for vehicular traffic.

Also, the extension is angled to the northeast and baffled to provide a breakwater effect. This increases the sheltered mooring area by 6,000 square feet and creates safer conditions for on-loading and off-loading in the lee of the dock. The town had planned the project eight years prior to implementation and had used Community Block Grant Planning funds to identify the problems and to explore alternative solutions. Local funds were used to complete the preliminary engineering study and to prepare the final engineering report.

BAR HARBOR
Harbor Park Development
Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$40,000
Local Match: \$50,000
Funding Year: 1987-88
Construction Completed: August, 1988

A park was constructed on a surface created by the construction of a harborfront retaining wall next to the municipal pier in downtown Bar Harbor. The park has a brick and wooden surface with granite curbing next to the street. Posts with chain and decorative roping was installed along the seaward edge of the park. Raised wooden planters were constructed to contain trees and flowers. The local garden club will plant and care for the flowers. Benches and tables and chairs will be added. A neighboring business plans to continue the brickwork and curbing in front of his business to make an attractive link with the municipal pier. Also, the town plans to continue the brickwork and curbing the other direction along a town street. The park is strategically located at the end of the main street leading to the water and provides a perfect location to view harbor activities.

WASHINGTON COUNTY



MACHIAS



PEMBROKE

CHERRYFIELD

Riverfront Pathways and Improvements

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$5,000

Local Match: \$1,000

Funding Year: 1985-86

Construction Completed: July, 1988

Riverfront park improvements were made along the bank of the south branch of the Narraguagus River in Cherryfield. The park is located on Mill Road, approximately one mile north of the junction of U.S. Route 1 and State Route 193 next to the famous fishing grounds for Atlantic salmon. The site provides the opportunity for expansive views both up and down the river. The project included clearing a nature trail along the river bank, cleaning up several hundred feet of shoreline, constructing steps to provide access to the river for salmon fishermen and others, and leveling a former mill site. The project is adjacent to and a continuation of previous riverfront acquisition and improvement activities undertaken by the Town.

MACHIAS

The Machias Riverfront Park

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$20,000 (Year 1)

\$19,200 (Year 2)

\$24,000 (Year 3)

Local Match \$ 4,000 (Year 1)

\$ 4,800 (Year 2)

\$16,000 (Year 3)

Funding Years: 1985-86, 1986-87, 1987-88

All Construction Completed: July, 1988

As part of the Machias River Waterfront Plan which was developed using Coastal Planning funds, a riverfront park was constructed overlooking the Machias River and Bad Little Falls. The site is accessible from downtown Machias which has been revitalized with a Community Development Block Grant.

During the first year, terraces were built upon abandoned mill foundations which had presented a safety hazard and prevented access to the falls. In the second year, a footbridge was constructed on the abutments of the former "Old Iron Bridge" to restore pedestrian access to the south side of the Machias River which has been developed into a riverside park and picnic area. Besides constructing a footbridge, the project also involved repair and resurfacing of the old bridge abutments, installation of guardrail fencing and landscaping. The third year project included construction of a pathway on the south side of the Machias River. Also, the area around the falls was landscaped and playground equipment and safety fencing was installed near the falls.

HARRINGTON

Boat Launch, Access Road and Parking Lot at Ripley Cove

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$21,620

Local Match: \$7,871

Funding Year: 1985-86 and 1987-88

Construction Completed: July, 1988

A new public boat landing has been constructed in Harrington with the aid of a gift of land from a local landowner, a grant from Waterfront Action Grant program and engineering assistance from a local branch of the United States Department of Agriculture. The Waterfront Action Grant funds were used to pave the boat ramp and access road and construct a gravel parking area for 15-20 vehicles and a picnic area. Two picnic tables, donated by a local contractor, will be placed in the picnic area. The project is located on Marshville Road approximately 10 miles from the center of Harrington on U.S. Route 1. The new public landing gives fishermen and recreational users access to Harrington Bay at all stages of the tide. Twenty five to thirty fishermen use the site daily.

PEMBROKE

Reversing Falls Park Development

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$20,000 (Year 1)

\$ 8,500 (Year 2)

Local Match: \$7,000 (Year 1)

\$4,250 (Year 2)

Funding Year: 1986-87 and 1988-89

Construction Completed: Phase I

Construction In Progress: Phase II to be completed July 31, 1989

As Phase I of the Reversing Falls Park Development plan, improvements were made to an undeveloped town-owned park to make the park more accessible to and usable by the public. The park is located off Leighton Neck Road and is adjacent to the unique reversing falls of Cobscook Bay. Phase I included: access road improvements, roadside vista improvements, security gate construction, trail improvements and construction, primitive campsite construction, new park road construction located so as to provide a view and picnic area construction. Phase II includes improving a shorefront trail and adding observation areas, adding a new trail to complete a trail loop, restoration and fencing of a historic cemetery, constructing three primitive campsites, two picnic shelters, a pedestrian ramp and a privy. These improvements will provide added facilities for the expected increased use by the public.

CALAIS

Pike's Park Floating Dock

Waterfront Action Grant Funds: \$12,050

Local Match: \$3,612

Funding Year: 1986-87

Construction Completed: July, 1988

In order to improve accessibility to the St. Croix River at the city-owned Pike's Park in downtown Calais, a floating dock system composed of three floats with a ramp to connect the Pike's Park City Wharf to the floats was constructed. Boaters now are able to access the waterfront at all tides and users of the adjacent boat ramp are able to load gear and passengers with ease and safety. Costs were kept low on this project by using the Maine Conservation Corps for labor.

